

Executive Reports of Committees: Senate received the following executive reports of a committee:

Report to accompany Treaty Docs. 105-6, 105-11, 105-12, 105-22, 105-23, 105-24, 105-27, 105-34, 105-37, 105-38, 105-40, 105-41, 105-42, 105-44, 105-47, and 105-52: Mutual Legal Assistance Treaties with Australia, Barbados, Brazil, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hong Kong, Israel, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Poland, Trinidad & Tobago, Venezuela, Antigua & Barbuda, Dominica, Grenada, St. Kitts & Nevis, St. Lucia, and St. Vincent & Grenadines. (Exec. Rept. No. 105-22)

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Report to accompany Treaty Docs. 105-10, 105-13, 105-14, 105-15, 105-16, 105-18, 105-19, 105-20, 105-21, 105-30, 105-33, 105-46, and 105-50: Extradition Treaties with Argentina, Austria, Barbados, Cyprus, France, India, Luxembourg, Mexico, Poland, Spain, Trinidad & Tobago, Zimbabwe, Antigua & Barbuda, Dominica, Grenada, St. Kitts & Nevis, St. Lucia, and St. Vincent & the Grenadines. (Exec. Rept. No. 105-23)

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Report to accompany Treaty Doc. 105-7: Agreement with Hong Kong on the Transfer of Sentenced Persons. (Exec. Rept. No. 105-24)

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Report to accompany Treaty Doc. 105-17: WIPO Copyright Treaty (WCT) (1996) and WIPO Performances and Phonograms Treaty (WPPT) (1996). (Exec. Rept. No. 105-25)

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Messages From the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting the report of an agreement with the Republic of Lithuania concerning fisheries off the coasts of the United States; which was referred jointly, pursuant to 16 U.S.C. 1823, to the Committee

on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, and to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (PM-162).

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Transmitting the report of an agreement with the Republic of Estonia concerning fisheries off the coasts of the United States; which was referred jointly, pursuant to 16 U.S.C. 1823, to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, and to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (PM-163).

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations: John C. Truesdale, of Maryland, to be a Member of the National Labor Relations Board for the term of five years expiring August 27, 2003.

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Recess: Senate convened at 12 noon, and recessed at 4:43 p.m., until 12 noon, on Thursday, October 15, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S12605.)

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 13 public bills, H.R. 4829-4841; and 5 resolutions, H.J. Res. 135 and H. Res. 597-600, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 218, to amend title 18, United States Code, to exempt qualified current and former law enforcement officers from State laws prohibiting the carrying of concealed handguns, amended (H. Rept. 105-819).

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Blunt to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. Page H10835

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Regarding Reserved Mineral Interests: H.R. 3878, to subject certain reserved mineral interests of the operation of the Mineral Leasing Act. Agreed to amend the title;

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Regarding Access for Disabled Persons: H.R. 4501, to require the Secretary of Agriculture and the

Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study to improve the access for persons with disabilities to outdoor recreational opportunities made available to the public;
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Regarding Ex-USS Bowman County: H.R. 4519, to authorize the President to consent to third party transfer of the ex-USS Bowman County to the USS LST Ship Memorial, Inc.;
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Regarding Radiation Exposure: H.R. 559, to amend title 38, United States Code, to add bronchiolo-alveolar carcinoma to the list of diseases presumed to be service-connected for certain radiation-exposed veterans (agreed to by a ye and nay vote of 400 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 531);
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Government Waste, Fraud and Error Reduction: H.R. 4243, amended, to reduce waste, fraud, and error in Government programs by making improvements with respect to Federal management and debt collection practices, Federal payment systems, and Federal benefit programs;
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Concerning Diplomatic Immunity: S. 759, to amend the State Department Basic Authorities Act of 1956 to require the Secretary of State to submit an annual report to Congress concerning diplomatic immunity—clearing the measure for the President;
Pages H10855–57, H10870

Centennial of Flight Commemoration: S. 1397, to establish a commission to assist in commemoration of the centennial of powered flight and the achievements of the Wright brothers—clearing the measure for the President.
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Suspensions—Failed: The House failed to suspend the rules and pass the following bill:

Regarding Certain Properties Around Canyon Ferry Reservoir, Montana: H.R. 3963, amended, to establish terms and conditions under which the Secretary of the Interior shall convey leaseholds in certain properties around Canyon Ferry Reservoir, Montana (failed by a ye and nay vote of 217 yeas to 181 nays, with two-thirds required for passage, Roll No. 530).
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Making Continuing Appropriations: The House passed H.J. Res. 135, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 1999. **Pages H10861–68**

Recess: The House recessed at 1:39 p.m. and reconvened at 2:14 p.m.
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Presidential Messages: Read the following messages from the President:

Fishery Agreement with Estonia: Message wherein he transmitted his agreement between the United States and Estonia concerning fisheries off the coast

of the United States—referred to the Committee on Resources and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105–323); and
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Fishery Agreement with Lithuania: Message wherein he transmitted his agreement between the United States and Lithuania concerning fisheries off the coast of the United States—referred to the Committee on Resources and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105–324).
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Rhino and Tiger Product Labeling: The House agreed to the Senate amendment to H.R. 2807, to amend the Rhinoceros and Tiger Conservation Act of 1994 to prohibit the sale, importation, and exportation of products labeled as containing substances derived from rhinoceros or tiger with amendments.
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Hawaii Volcanoes National Park Adjustment: The House passed S. 2129, to eliminate restrictions on the acquisition of certain land contiguous to Hawaii Volcanoes National Park—clearing the measure for the President.
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Presidential Advisory Commission on Holocaust Assets in the United States: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following members to the Presidential Advisory Commission on Holocaust Assets in the United States: Representatives Gilman and Fox of Pennsylvania.
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Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H10868.

Referrals: Senate bills referred to House committees appears on page H10916.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two ye and nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H10869 and H10869–70. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Committee Meetings

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on House Oversight: Approved the Committee on the Judiciary request for an allocation from the Reserve Fund.

The Committee also approved other pending business.

TECHNOLOGY TRANSFERS TO CHINA

Select Committee on U.S. National Security and Military/Commercial Concerns with the People's Republic of China: Met in executive session to continue to receive briefings.

Will continue tomorrow.